مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 01 February 2005 – 08:00 02 February 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian severely beaten
Injuries	3	_	3	During demonstration against Wall
Attacks	3	9	12	3 during raids and 9 from mil. posts
Raids	10	1	11	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Arrest (per person)	1		1	In the city of Nablus
Detentions	4	_	4	Incl. 1 officer at Beit Iba checkpoint
Wall Construction	21		21	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	Incl. crops and 1 school damaged
House Occupations	2		2	In the village of Seida
Curfew	1	_	1	In the village of Seida (overnight)
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	7	_	7	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 2 in Bethlehem
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(6)		Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. 3 partially open
School Disruption	1	1	2	Incl. 1 school attacked in Khan Yunis
Israeli Army Watchtower	1	_	1	In Hebron
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	A fence erected on 150 dunums
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	6 unidentified mortars towards Gadid
Demonstration	1		1	In protest against land confiscation
TOTAL	64	18	82	

DISTRICT	EVENT	
ALL DISTRICTS	Beginning on 11 November 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat.	

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at An Nabi Samwil and Qalandiya checkpoints, which control movement between the districts of Jerusalem and Ramallah, and impeded civilian movement. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. Raid: The Israeli army raided Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem, searched civilian houses, after detaining residents outside, and photographed residents.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Mughayyir with dirt barricades. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of An Nabi Salih and Deir Abu Mash'al and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 14:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah.

JENIN	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, obstructing civilian movement and delaying civilians from reaching their workplaces and homes. Settlement Activity: The Israeli army erected a fence around approximately 150 dunums (37.5 acres) of civilian land located near the Wall in the area north of the village of Ibziq.
TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav gate which controls the road between the cities of Tulkarem and Nablus, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raid/Curfew/House Occupations: Beginning at 20:00 on 24 January 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the village Seida and continues to impose curfew overnight and to prevent civilians from exiting the village. The Israeli army occupied 2 houses, after evacuating residents, and converted them into military posts. At 08:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
QALQILYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	 Checkpoint: At 15:15, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Shavei Shomron checkpoint and impeded civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. Raids/School Disruption: At 12:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Burqa, surrounded the village's school, and threatened to close it if school students throw stones again at the Israeli army. At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Bayzid 'Ata in the city of Nablus. Detention: At 09:50, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint detained Ahmed Ibrahim Abed Rabbu, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at 10:35.

SALFIT	 Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Deir Ballut along the Green Line, in the area southwest of the village of Kafr Ad Dik, west of the village of Iskaka, and north of city of Salfit. Flying Checkpoint: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat and searched civilians and vehicles.
JERICHO	Closure: The Israeli army continues to close all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented Israeli ID card holders from entering the city.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), and west of the village of Husan. Flying Checkpoint: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Beit Sahur, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew from the area at 13:30. Physical Assault: At 16:30, Su'oud Mahmoud 'Uweisah was admitted to Al Hussein Hospital in the city of Bethlehem after Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint severely beat him. Raids: At 11:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and patrolled the area.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna, and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Dura. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.

- <u>Destruction of Property</u>: The Israeli army damaged crops cultivated on hundreds of *dunums* of civilian land near the town of Yatta.
- New Surveillance Point: At 11:00, the Israeli army fixed a surveillance camera on an electricity post along the street leading to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron in order to track civilian movement.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 12:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, marched towards land under threat of being confiscated by the Israeli army in Khalayel Al Maghribi and Khalayel Khurwat southeast of the city of Hebron. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 3 civilians.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals and humanitarian cases only.		
GAZA	 Closure: (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. 		
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.		
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. Abu Holi road is partially open. Attacks/Destruction of Property: At 10:00, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell towards the area of Al Maqaber near An Namsawi neighbourhood. At 22:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 4 tank shells towards the area of Al Maqaber near An Namsawi neighbourhood. At 23:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 8 and 9 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. At 23:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 8 towards civilian houses in Al Amal neighbourhood. At 23:55, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 12 towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood. At 07:00, the Israeli army fired a number of tank shells towards Tareq Bin Ziyad School in An Namsawi neighbourhood, damaging the school. 		

	 Raid: At 23:50, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks, raided Palestinian territory and took position near the office of the Palestinian Ministry of Social Affairs in Al Amal neighbourhood. Palestinian Attacks: At 16:10, 6 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid.
RAFAH	 Closure: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open to arrivals and departures above the age of 35 only. Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open to workers only. Attacks: At 11:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 8 along the Palestinian-Egyptian border towards civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp. At 15:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in the area surrounding Salah Ad Din gate.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	Renewal of Administrative Detention: The Israeli authorities renewed administrative detention orders (arrest without charge or trial) for 18 political prisoners in Ketziot Military Detention Camp for various periods.		
WORK PERMITS	 West Bank: Israeli authorities renewed 5,169 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. Gaza Strip: Israeli authorities renewed 524 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zone. However, workers were not allowed access to the Industrial Zone due to the imposed closure. Israeli authorities renewed 3,119 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, workers were not allowed access into the Green Line due to the imposed closure. Israeli authorities cancelled all permits issued to 2,375 construction workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line. 		